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Quartz Hill Quarry Bond Release

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The BLM Cedar City Field Office approvals the release of any reclamation bond monies held for the Quartz Hill Quarry, S/021/036. The operator/proponent for this project, Holt Hay Cubes, LLC, contacted this office in June, 2006 to inform us that they were not going to proceed with the project due to negative results of the test pitting.

As you know, the site disturbances to date on this project consist of the excavation of four shallow test pits with a trackhoe which was walked cross-county to the test pit locations. The test pitting directly disturbed an area of 200-300 sq.ft. per pit. Each pit was satisfactorily reclaimed by backfilling immediately after excavation. The cross-country travel to the test pits did trample sagebrush but both the test pit areas and the cross-country travel path have been broadcast seeded and we are confident that satisfactory re-vegegation will occur on the disturbed areas.

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